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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. Of: MEYER  
Serial No.: 10/020,691  
Filed: December 14, 2001  
For: BAR CODED BILL PAYMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD  
Group: 2164  
Examiner: DOCKET: DEI 00.01 CIP

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Applicant is submitting this Preliminary Amendment and respectfully requests that it be considered prior to examination on the merits.

Please amend the Application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 16 of this Amendment.

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